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Jersey Man Pleads Guilty to Gun-Running

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A New Jersey man who conspired with a former Central Intelligence Agency agent to sell arms to terrorist groups has pleaded guilty to gun-running charges, prosecutors said yesterday.

The defendant, George Gregory Korkala, faces up to 20 years in prison under a plea-bargaining agreement approved last week by a judge in State Supreme Court in Manhattan.

In 1981, Mr. Korkala and his partner, Frank Terpil, a former C.I.A. agent, were convicted in absentia of selling 10,000 submachine guns to detectives posing as terrorists.

Mr. Korkala, who fled the country shortly before the trial, was captured in Spain in 1982 and extradited on a promise of a new trial.